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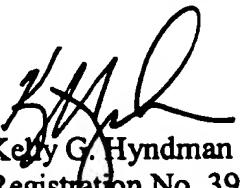
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An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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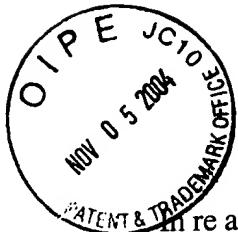
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 6, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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